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SUBJECT: CANADIAN REACTION TO FRENCH DRAFT DECLARATION OF THE 15

REF: USNATO 4699

1. EXTAFD DIRECTOR NATO AFFAIRS CLARK TOLD EMBOFF THAT EXTAFD WAS NOT RPT NOT ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT FRENCH DRAFT DECLARATION. THIS SENTIMENT HAD BEEN CONVEYED TO FRENCH EMBASSY COUNSELOR WHO HAD CALLED TO URGE CANADIAN ADOPTION OF FRENCH TEXT AS BASIS FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS. CLARK ALSO MENTIONED DIS-APPOINTMENT AT REPORT FROM CANDEL NATO THAT US HAD AT LEAST TENTATIVELY AGREED TO USE FRENCH TEXT AS STARTING POINT. CLARK SPECULATED THAT DESIRE TO KEEP FRENCH CLOSELY INVOLVED IN DECLARATION EXERCISE MIGHT BE BEHIND WIDESPREAD SUPPORT OF FRENCH TEXT, AND ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THIS COULD BE IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION.

2. EMBOFF SAID USG HAD WELCOMED CANADIAN DRAFT AS WELL AS FRENCH, AND THAT BOTH WERE CONSIDERED USEFUL CONTRIBUTIONS. EMBOFF ASKED DETAILS OF OBJECTIONS TO FRENCH TEXT. OTHER THAN SIMPLE PREFERENCE FOR CANADIAN TEXT, CLARK MENTIONED STRESS ON EUROPE-US RATHER THAN NORTH ATLANTIC CHARACTER OF DECLARATION; EMPHASIS ON EUROPEAN VULNERABILITY; AND "UNCLEAR"

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REFERENCE TO EC CONTRIBUTION TO NATO DEFENSE.

CLARK SAID GOC VIEWS ON FRENCH TEXT STILL BEING FORMULATED.
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